

REMARKS

The original abstract has been canceled in its entirety and substitute by a new abstract which is believed to provide a concise summary of the disclosure in accordance with the required format.

Applicant is submitting an attached new sheet of formal drawings for Fig. 2 in which reference numerals "21" and "23" have been added to designate, respectively, the "oblique planar surface" on which the sterilizing device is mounted and the "coupling device" for securing the pedestal to the side of the electronic product. With the approval of the Examiner, this new sheet of formal drawing for Fig. 2 should be substituted for its original counterpart.

The specification has been amended to correct informalities and correspond same with the amendments to Fig. 2 of the drawings. All of the amendments are fully supported by the original disclosure of this application and therefore do not constitute the introduction of any new matter into this case.

The Examiner will also note original claims 1-5 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and substituted by new claims 6-10. For the reasons to be hereinafter specified, it is respectfully urged that new claims 6-10 should be allowable.

The formal objections to original claims 2, 3 and 5 are believed to be duly overcome through the introduction of new claims 6-10.

The rejection of original claims 1-5 under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by the Ou Yang et al. U.S. patent 6,797,044 is respectfully traversed. Though this reference does disclose an exhaust fan combined with an air filter and at least one UV LED mounted on the fan, this structural configuration is significantly different from that claimed by Applicant.

The present invention provides a pedestal having a first portion defined by an oblique planar surface on which a sterilizing device is mounted and a second portion on which at least one fan is mounted. The pedestal is secured on a side of an electronic product for blowing air into and drawing air out of the product so that heat

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generated by the product may be efficiently dissipated. The sterilizing device effectively sterilizes bacteria and viruses borne by the air being blown into and drawn out of the product. The Ou Yang patent clearly does not suggest or disclose this structural combination which is now precisely recited by new independent claim 6. Accordingly, the rejection based on Ou Yang should be withdrawn.

New claim 6 is the only independent claim under consideration. Remaining claims 7-10 are all dependent on claim 6 and recite other elements of the invention. Accordingly, claims 6-10 should now be in condition for formal allowance and prompt notice to this effect is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner should have any questions concerning this matter, the undersigned may be reached at his Alexandria, Virginia office at 703 683-0500.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

With the approval of the Examiner, please cancel Fig. 2 of the drawings originally filed in this application and substitute the attached amended new sheet of formal drawings for Fig. 2 therefor.